

**74-8812. Eligibility of horses and greyhounds; registration of stable, kennel or other owner.**

(a) Horses shall not compete in any race meeting before reaching the age of two years. A horse's age shall be determined beginning on the first day of January in the year in which the horse is foaled.

(b) Greyhounds shall not compete in any race meeting before reaching the age of 15 months.

(c) No horse shall compete in any race limited to Kansas-bred horses unless such horse is registered pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8830. The commission may prescribe such forms as necessary to determine the eligibility of horses entered in such a race.

(d) No horse or greyhound owned by a stable, kennel or other entity shall compete in any race meeting unless the name of the stable, kennel or entity is registered upon forms prescribed and furnished by the commission and the appropriate registration fee paid. The commission shall establish the amount of such registration fees, but no such fee shall exceed \$200 a year.

**History:** L. 1987, ch. 112, § 12; L. 1992, ch. 286, § 4; July 1.

**74-8829. Horse breeding development fund.** (a) There is hereby created in the state treasury the Kansas horse breeding development fund to which moneys shall be credited as provided by this act. Expenditures from such fund shall be made in accordance with appropriation acts upon warrants of the director of accounts and reports issued pursuant to vouchers approved by the chairperson of the commission or a person designated by the chairperson.

(b) Moneys credited to the Kansas horse breeding development fund, including any moneys in the fund on March 24, 1994, and any moneys credited to the fund on or after that date, shall be apportioned into categories corresponding with the various breeds of horses which are participating in live races with parimutuel wagering conducted by organization licensees in direct proportion to the number of horses in each category participating in such live races and shall be used in each category to provide:

(1) Purse supplements to owners of Kansas-bred horses;

(2) stakes and awards to be paid to the owners of the winning Kansas-bred horses in certain races as determined by the commission;

(3) a stallion award to each owner of a Kansas-registered stallion which is the sire of a Kansas-bred horse if such horse wins or wins, places or shows in any race conducted at a Kansas race meeting, but no such award shall be paid to the owner of a Kansas stallion that served outside Kansas at any time during the calendar year in which the winning Kansas-bred horse was conceived;

(4) a breeder's award to each owner of a Kansas-registered mare which is the dam of a Kansas-bred horse if such horse wins or wins, places or shows in any race conducted at a Kansas race meeting; and

(5) moneys for equine research through institutions of higher education under the state board of regents.

**History:** L. 1987, ch. 112, § 28; L. 1991, ch. 247, § 7; L. 1994, ch. 228, § 3; L. 1994, ch. 332, § 3; May 19.

**74-8830. Registration of horses; membership of registering agency.** (a) The commission shall, by rules and regulations:

(1) Qualify stallions for participation in Kansas-registered stallion awards;

(2) provide for the registration of Kansas-domiciled mares, Kansas-domiciled stallions and Kansas-bred horses;

(3) determine qualifications of Kansas-bred horses and establish classes of Kansas-bred horses for registration purposes and for the purpose of awarding purse supplements, stakes and awards pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8829 and amendments thereto; and

(4) establish a schedule of fees for the registration of Kansas-domiciled mares, Kansas-domiciled stallions and Kansas-bred horses sufficient to provide for all expenses incurred in the administration of the Kansas horse breeding development fund created pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8829 and amendments thereto.

(b) The commission may contract with and designate an official registering agency to implement the registration of horses. The board of directors of the official registering agency shall consist of five representatives of the quarter horse breed and five representatives of the thoroughbred breed. Representatives shall be selected by each breed organization from their respective memberships pursuant to rules and regulations adopted by the Kansas racing and gaming commission. In order to be eligible to serve on the board, a participant must be a legal resident of the state of Kansas and a member of the Kansas quarter horse racing association or the Kansas thoroughbred association. Such agency shall operate under the supervision of the commission and be subject to rules and regulations of the commission. The official registering agency shall receive no compensation from the Kansas racing and gaming commission except fees received for registration of horses necessary to pay its expenses for such registration.

(c) The commission may contract with and designate an agency to provide for the distribution of purse supplements, stakes and awards from the Kansas horse breeding development fund. Such agency shall operate under the supervision of the commission and be subject to rules and regulations of the commission.

**History:** L. 1987, ch. 112, § 29; L. 1989, ch. 246, § 4; L. 2007, ch. 110, § 51; Apr. 19.

**74-8767. Live horse racing purse and live greyhound racing purse supplemental fund; authorized uses.** (a) (1) There is hereby established in the state treasury the live horse racing purse supplement fund.

(2) Twenty-five percent of all moneys credited to the live horse racing purse supplement fund shall be transferred to the Kansas horse breeding development fund created pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8829, and amendments thereto. Two percent of the moneys credited to the live horse racing purse supplement fund shall be distributed to the official registering agency designated pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8830, and amendments thereto, to be used for horse registration, administration, development, representation and promotion of the Kansas horse racing and breeding industries. A complete financial accounting for the use of the funds received pursuant to this subsection shall be provided annually to the Kansas racing and gaming commission. Fifty percent of the moneys credited to the Kansas horse breeding development fund pursuant to this section shall be used as purse supplements for registered Kansas-bred foals and distributed based upon recommendation from the official horse breed registering agency and approval of the Kansas racing and gaming commission. The balance of funds credited to the Kansas horse breeding development fund pursuant to this section shall be used as breed awards for registered Kansas-bred broodmares and stallions. The Kansas racing and gaming commission shall distribute such moneys credited to the Kansas horse breeding development fund in accordance with K.S.A. 74-8829, and amendments thereto.

(3) Based on the contribution to the Kansas horse racing and breeding industries in Kansas, the balance in the live horse race purse supplement fund shall be distributed in accordance with rules and regulations adopted by the Kansas racing and gaming commission with recommendations by the official registering agency designated pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8830, and amendments thereto.

(b) There is hereby established in the state treasury the live greyhound racing purse supplement fund. Moneys available in such fund shall be paid to the parimutuel licensees for distribution as purse supplements in accordance with rules and regulations of the Kansas racing and gaming commission. Such rules and regulations shall provide that 25% of the total amount credited to such fund shall be transferred to the credit of the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund, created pursuant to K.S.A. 74-8831, and amendments thereto. Moneys transferred into the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund pursuant to this section shall be used to supplement special stake races and enhance the amount per point paid to the owners of Kansas-whelped greyhounds which win live races at Kansas greyhound tracks in accordance with Kansas racing and gaming commission rules and regulations. Upon the recommendation of the official greyhound breed registry, the Kansas racing and gaming commission may transfer moneys from the Kansas greyhound breeding development fund to the live greyhound racing purse supplement fund.

(c) All purse supplements paid pursuant to this act shall be according to the point schedule in effect on January 1, 2003, at the respective parimutuel licensee locations. All purse supplements paid pursuant to this section shall be in addition to purses and supplements paid under K.S.A. 74-8801 et seq., and amendments thereto.

**History:** L. 2007, ch. 110, § 36; Apr. 19.